



Ninety-Ninth Legislature - First Session - 2005  
**Introducer's Statement of Intent**  
**LB 761**

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**Chairperson:** DiAnna R. Schimek  
**Committee:** Government, Military and Veterans Affairs  
**Date of Hearing:** February 23, 2005

The following constitutes the reasons for this bill and the purposes which are sought to be accomplished thereby:

The purpose of Legislative Bill 761 is to expand the membership of the State Foster Care Review Board. Under LB 761, the membership of the board would consist of fifteen members. Fourteen members would be appointed by the Governor, consisting of:

- Three members of local foster care review boards, one from each congressional district;
- one practitioner of pediatric medicine;
- one practitioner of child clinical psychology;
- one social worker certified under the Uniform Licensing Law, with expertise in the area of child welfare;
- one county attorney;
- one attorney who is or has been a guardian ad litem;
- one representative of a statewide child advocacy group;
- one person who is or has been a foster parent;
- one child advocacy center coordinator;
- one court appointed special advocate;
- one probation officer; and,
- one educator;

The final member of the Board would be the Director of Health and Human Services.

The new membership of the Board would be appointed on or after January 1, 2006.

**Principal Introducer:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Senator Nancy Thompson**